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Dark, yellow, oily, mothy skin, pimples, blackheads, roughness, redness, dry skin, and falling hair, and every other blemish prevented and cured by the following:



Cuticura SOAP

The most effective skin purifying and beautifying soap in the world, as well as a perfect and pleasant toilet soap. It is so gentle and so effective that it is the favorite of the most delicate and the most robust.

Sold throughout the world. PUTTER DRESS AND CUTICURA SOAP, and CUTICURA SOAP, are sold by all druggists and grocers. "All about the skin, hair, and face," is a small book sent free on request.

Vote the Democratic ticket and for both the Constitutional amendments.

Votes for both the Constitutional amendments and the straight Democratic ticket.

Miss Klock, of Denver, is running for the legislature. Wonder who would her?

Votes "yes" on both the Constitutional amendments and then vote the Democratic ticket straight.

Tax Democrats of Fulton are speaking all over Callaway County. What's the matter with Mexico Democratic orators?

TRAIN robbery seems to be an industry that needs no protection. What it needs most it doesn't get to any marked extent—suppression.

THERE may be Democrats in Austin County who will be led astray and vote the Populist ticket, but there will not be a single Republican hand so foolish.

MAYBE China might be able to visit Japan if it were allowed time to get good and ready to fight, but that seems to be just what Japan has no idea of allowing.

Votes for both the Constitutional amendments. One tends to give better roads and the other gives Kansas City an opportunity to settle a matter in which it is alone interested.

Sir GEORGE PULLMAN is such an admirer of the Republican party that he is always ready to furnish the Pullman cars to its traveling members, in addition to his cash contributions.

GEORGE GOULD has 2,000 clippings from English newspapers, concerning his yachting experience in England. If George is a wise man, he will not collect what American newspapers said about the same subject.

SAMUEL WARD, Republican nominee for Judge of the County Court in the western district of Audrain county, is dead. Notice was served on the Republicans before the official ticket was published in the Kansas but no change was authorized.

DEMOCRATS should go and hear Chas. L. Filley speak in Mexico Saturday. He is the man who is behind the Populist movement in Missouri. Hear him talk to the Republicans and then if you are a Democrat you will vote the Democratic ticket on the 6th of November.

AND now comes G. N. Wales, an ex-Republican, an ex-Greenbacker, and at the present time a Populist, who, through a Republican organ, is invited to advise Democrats how to vote. Are the Democrats of Audrain county fools that they must have such counsels as Wales regards their votes?

AMBASSADOR HAYARD lately said: "Do not believe that President Cleveland intends to restrict the political actions of public officials, so far as I am concerned, I am independent enough to talk to my people whenever they desire to hear me." As he had just left the President his voice was significant.

In addition to the candidates to be voted on at the election on November 6 there will be two amendments to the constitution voted for. One of the amendments provides for an additional tax of 15 cents on the assessed dollar valuation of property for public road purposes, and the other is to permit Kansas City to sever itself from Jackson County and set up a district separate government of its own of an independent character, like that of St. Louis.

Such amendments should carry easily.

THERE is a great deal of hogwash being published and mouthed around about the "Dinner Pail Brigade" being out of work. The early riser in Mexico will find that the dinner pail brigade all have employment. You will find them between 6 and 7 a. m. going to work in the various parts of the city. There is distinction between the tin pail in which a man's dinner is carried and the tin pail which is used to rush the growler. There has always been and always will be work for either Democrat, Republican or mugwump who desires work at living wages. Those who use the dinner pail to tote beer in are always in shape to express an opinion in reference to those who use the same kind of a pail to carry bread and meat in.

Work has already been started on the ladies' edition of the Mexico Evening LEDGER to be published on Thanksgiving day. Several contracts for advertising have already been made and the prospect is that this will be the most popular edition of the daily LEDGER ever published. Every department of this issue will be under the control of Mexico ladies except the mechanical part of it. The proceeds will be devoted to the M. E. Church, South, and the Episcopal church of Mexico. Those who desire advertising space should see Miss Belle Morris, Managing Editor, at once.

The writer desires to call the attention of Democrats in Audrain County to the fact that Populists are not endeavoring to secure any votes from the Republicans. You don't hear of the Populists interrupting Treloar in his speeches. You don't hear of the Populists challenging Treloar for a discussion. You don't hear of Populists making any kind of a move except in the direction of taking votes from the Democratic ticket. You can take Mr. G. N. Wales' late screed, as published in a Republican paper, as a fair example as to the way the wind is blowing. There is not a single Republican in Audrain County who will not vote the Republican ticket.

Mrs. F. PLUMMER, of Springfield, Mo., well known in Mexico, is Secretary of the Daughters of the Confederacy of Springfield, Mo. A movement is on foot backed by these ladies to erect a \$50,000 monument in the Confederate cemetery in Springfield to the Confederate dead of Missouri. The base of the monument is already built and paid for. We trust Mrs. Plummer will meet with cordial encouragement in Mexico and that a liberal contribution will be raised in this part of Missouri for this purpose.

We are again compelled to call the attention of our country correspondents to the necessity of their having their communications in the office by Tuesday afternoon. The writer is fully impressed with the fact that the country correspondence of a newspaper is one of its most interesting features. Last week we had to leave out two very interesting communications on account of arriving too late. When possible our correspondents from the country should send their letters in early on Monday.

It sounds right funny to hear chronic loafers posing as Populists, write and talk about the "rights of citizenship against rights of property, the rights of capital against the rights of labor." Let men who work the soil or at the bench or in the shop, and not men who work the people, who work the ground do the talking.

The man who furloughs his employees, or reduces their wages, for no other reason than to compel them to vote against Democratic candidates for Congress would, granting the existence of his need and the opportunity, become a highwayman.



Mr. Paul M. Weber.

All Run Down

Always Tired, Sleepless and Without Appetite

Blood Vitalized and Strength Renewed by Hood's Sarsaparilla. "C. T. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass." For a couple of years, I was subject to feeling anything but good. I always felt tired, I could not sleep at night and the little I could eat did not seem to benefit me any.

I did not have any Ambition to go around or work in fact was not able to do a good day's work. I happened to pick up a circular embracing advertisements and testimonials for Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after reading them I decided to give Hood's Sarsaparilla a trial. I have taken five bottles and must say that I have derived wonderful benefits from it.

Feel Like a New Man. I would recommend it to all sufferers and would urge them not to hesitate but to decide at once to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. PAUL M. WEBER, 112 North Tenth Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

Hood's Pills are prompt and efficient, yet gentle in action. Sold by all druggists. Price, 25c.

The electric thrill of health

is never felt by those who are run down-out of sorts-poor in blood-badly nourished-dyspeptic. That would be impossible, and so the delight of living is lost!

Brown's Iron Bitters

brings weak people up to the standard of health—feeds the blood—acts on the nerves—strengthens the muscles. It brings the blush of youth to weary women's cheeks—is a boon to the invalid—refreshes the weak, puny child—briefly said, it gives strength, and strength cannot exist without perfect health. It is a necessity in every family. It does not irritate the bowels or cause constipation.

It's Brown's Iron Bitters you need!

The Genuine has the Crossed Red Lines on Wrapper.

BROWN CHEMICAL CO., Baltimore, Md.

G. N. WALES, of this city, who was formerly a Republican, is now writing and talking with the Populists, and publishes a long communication over his own name in a Republican paper in which, after stating that the Democratic party cannot enact into a law a single principle contained in its platform, says: "We are not posted as to what the principles are as set forth in the Omaha platform. Against these principles both the old parties vote and act together." Now, if Mr. Wales is not posted as to what the principles of the People's party are, how does he know that "both of the old parties vote and act together against them?" There are too many people writing and spouting about things on which they are "not posted." It is rather disgusting to have such people pose as statesmen. They know little enough about questions on which they are posted without endeavoring to educate the people in reference to economic questions on which they acknowledge they are "not posted."

BUSINESS is improving, as the following from the Globe-Democrat testifies: "After a short interruption the loan item of the New York banks has again started upward, the increase having been \$600,000. This growth in the demand for money at the country's financial center is one of the indications of business improvement."

CALAMITY howlers do not receive a very cordial reception in Mexico and Audrain county. Our farmers and business men are generally in a prosperous condition and have no patience with chronic calamity howling politicians, who won't work themselves and try to keep everybody else from working.

BENTON CITY, Audrain county, Mo., has a neat little newspaper edited and published by Salles & Cluster, two bright, clever young men. Benton City is a live little city surrounded by some of the finest farming country in the world. The LEDGER wishes the boys success.

MEXICO's business men are all carrying large lines of goods and extending their trade in every direction. With good roads throughout the entire year Mexico should have a good business from 20 to 25 miles in each direction.

C. E. McVEY's Infatuation. LADDONIA, Mo., Oct. 26.—C. E. McVey was adjudged insane and taken to the asylum at Fulton yesterday. He is crazed on religion. Last Sunday he had his little son baptize him in a pond. Later he lost his "religion" and threatened to burn his house and kill his oldest son.

The Ralls County (Missouri) Record says: Hon. W. M. Treloar and "Fire Alarm" Flannigan addressed quite an audience at the Court House Tuesday night. The first named thinks he is in the field for Congress, the second is wandering aimlessly over the State in the direction of the Republican Central Committee. May the Lord have mercy on them both.

TEXAS Wool Good Price. From the San Antonio Stockman. At Boston last week 50,000 pounds of Texas wool sold at 11c. Receipts of this fall's wool clip at this market foot up so far about 6,000 bags. The wool is of good staple and free of dirt. Several buyers were here last week but as yet no sales have been made as local wool commission firms are not anxious to sell, until all the fall clip arrives.

Mr. Robert L. Johnson, who has been the steady operator at the depot here for several years, has been promoted to the position of agent of the C. & A. railroad at Laddonia, Mo. He was checked in today.



Gov. Wm. J. Stone

Will speak at the Grand Opera House

IN MEXICO

—ON—

Saturday, Nov. 3, At 2 o'clock, p. m.

WHAT DOLLAR BILL WEIGH.

A Guessing Contest in Which Several Gained a Knowledge of Gravity.

From the New York Herald.

Several customers were chatting in a Lafayette avenue grocery store one evening recently when the grocer pointed to a half barrel of small beans and asked how many of them it would require to make a bushel.

Various estimates were offered. One man recklessly put the number down at 50,000, which occasioned a laugh from all the others who had guessed a much larger quantity, ranging all the way from 5,000 to 20,000.

"Well, gentlemen," remarked the grocer, "you are all wrong. There are approximately 119,000 beans in a bushel."

No one was inclined to believe him until he showed them that it took sixty beans, selected at random, to weigh half an ounce.

"All wrong," said one of the party, "since we are engaged in guessing contests, how many dollar bills would it take to weigh as much as a silver dollar?"

One said 100, another said seventy-five, while the grocer, who knew all about beans, put the figures at 300.

"It takes just twenty-two," the man who was proven to be the case by experiment.

The Boys Having Good Luck. To the Editor of the Ledger. KOHLITZTOWN, Mo., October 22.—We are in camp and all well. Pate Morris killed two deer to-day, the first that has been killed. We have also killed some turkeys. Game of all kinds is scarce. Have caught some fine fish. The weather is too warm to save our meat. Have lots on hand. Would be glad if we could divide with our friends. The boys are having a jolly time in remembrance of to-day. Yours truly, J. W. SPOTSWOOD.

"Good Old Ledger." To R. M. White, Mexico, Mo. MILAN, Tenn., Oct. 23.—Dear Sir: Let the good old LEDGER come on. It is better than any letter. I don't know how I could do without it. Such publications as the LEDGER should receive the cordial and hearty support of all who favor good government and good morals. May you live long and prosper. Respectfully, MRS. E. F. TALLEY.

People's Party in Hard Luck. FAYETTE, Mo., Oct. 24.—The members of the People's party in Howard County feel greatly mortified at being unable to get the names of their nominees on the election tickets to be voted November 6. The party did not poll 3 per cent of the vote at the last general election, and they also failed to have their petition signed by 50 voters in order to have their nomination certified to.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Beagles had the most elegant reception at Mr. Beagles' beautiful country home near Worcester last week. There was music, literary exercises and an elegant luncheon, and the relatives of both Mr. and Mrs. Beagles were all present and extended congratulations. It was one of the most enjoyable affairs given in Audrain county during the year.

Mrs. Myers is home from St. Louis, where she visited her son, John, several weeks.

Thousands of Women

Suffer untold misery from a mass of dirt, which they cannot remove.

BRADFIELD'S Female Regulator, ACTS AS A SPECIFIC.

It causes health to bloom, and joy to reign throughout the frame.

It never fails to cure.

My wife has been under treatment of leading physicians three years, without benefit. After using three bottles of Bradfield's Female Regulator, she is now a healthy, happy woman.

BRADFIELD'S REGULATOR CO., Atlanta, Ga. Sold by druggists at \$1.00 per bottle.

What Champ Clark Said.

HE DID NOT CALL THE GERMANS A LOT OF DAMNED LOPE-EARED DUTCH.

It Was a Drunken Republican Editor Who, Interrupting Mr. Clark in His Speech, Made the Remark—Simply a Campaign Lie.

When the campaign lie was first circulated in reference to Hon. Champ Clark's abusing the Germans, Mr. Sannebeck, City Councilman from the third ward of Mexico, and Mr. Phillip, a prominent resident of this city, both wrote to Mr. Clark in reference to the report circulated. We publish Mr. Sannebeck's letter and Mr. Clark's replies to both Mr. Sannebeck and Mr. Phillip. These gentlemen did not believe the statement in the first place, but in the interest of fairness immediately wrote to Mr. Clark in order to hear both sides of the matter. Campaign lies circulated in 1894 have the same effect that campaign lies always have—they react and make votes for the parties lied upon. Mr. Sannebeck and Mr. Phillip are solid for Clark.

Hon. Champ Clark, Bowling Green, Mo., Mexico, Mo., October 22.—DEAR SIR: I notice an article in last week's St. Louis Westliche Post, where you have been reported in a speech at Cottleville, Mo., as calling us Germans lop-eared, white-headed Dutch. How is this? I am a German-American, born in Louisville, Ky. Have supported and used what little influence I had in your behalf in every race you lived in this district since I lived here the last five years. This kind of talk don't set well with us people and hope it is not true. Yours respectfully, F. A. SANNEBECK.

MR. CLARK TO MR. SANNEBECK. To F. A. Sannebeck, Esq. VANDALIA, Mo., Oct. 25.—DEAR SIR: Your letter reached me here as to an article in Westliche Post, copied from a paper in St. Charles, charging me with having in a speech at Cottleville, called the Germans "damned lop-eared, white-headed Dutch." A bigger lie was never printed since people first learned to set type. It is a lie made out of whole cloth. I not only never said that but I never said anything like it. On the contrary, I have always liked and admired the Germans, and have said so in hundreds of speeches when not a candidate, as well as when I was a candidate. My favorite description of them has always been expressed in this sentence: "The old Teutonic stock is the imperial race of the world."

At Cottleville I had a fine audience and made as good a speech as I ever made in my life. I believe it was the best speech I have made this year. The audience was composed nearly entirely of German Republicans. I was trying to convert them to Democracy and certainly was not fool enough to insult them.

What I did say about the Germans was this: "It is amazing to me that the Germans, who are industrious, hard-working, economical people, will vote the Republican ticket when Republican policy makes everything they buy cost more than Democratic policy would." Then I said I was of German ancestry myself—that I had the light hair, the blue eyes, the fair skin and the big body which Tacitus describes the Germans as having nearly two thousand years ago—all of which I thought was complimentary to the Germans. I also said that I could read and write German and intended to learn to speak it so I could talk to them in their own language, and that some day I expected to see the German counties the strongest Democratic counties in Missouri.

During all of my speech a Republican whom I did not know at the time, kept interrupting me, and when I began talking to the Germans and about them, he said: "You mean the 'damned lop-eared Dutch.'" I replied: "No, I mean, nothing of the sort. I have sense enough to know a German from a Dutchman, even if you haven't." A German comes originally from Germany and a Dutchman from Holland. I went on with my speech and he kept interrupting all the way through. That's the truth about the matter.

The tale is a malicious lie circulated for the purpose and with the hope of enabling a Republican to steal a seat in Congress. I believe Germans have too much sense to be deceived by any such ridiculous and unreasonable lie.

Your Friend, CHAMP CLARK.

MR. CLARK TO MR. PHILLIP. L. Phillip, Esq., Mexico, Mo. VANDALIA, Mo., October 25.—DEAR FRIEND: Yours to hand, asking about that tale in Westliche Post to the effect that in a speech at Cottleville I called the Germans "Damned lop-eared Dutch," etc. A bigger lie was never told. It's

made of whole cloth. In that speech, as in many others, I praised the Germans for their energy, their industry and their economy, and said the day would come when the German counties in Missouri would be the strongest Democratic counties—that they would vote the Democratic ticket when they found out that the Republicans made it cost them much more to live than the Democrats would, etc. Please contradict this unreasonable and ridiculous lie and greatly oblige. Your friend, CHAMP CLARK.

MOLINO ITEMS.

Correspondence of the Ledger. MOLINO, Mo., Oct. 25.—Mr. Jas. Clanton, our horse jockey, has a string of nice saddle horses that he is training here.

Mr. Henry Weaver is building a large barn on his place.

Frank Carter was in this neighborhood Friday buying calves.

F. P. Wood has about completed his new residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fisher, of Hannibal, are visiting their sons, Henry and Lee Fisher.

Miss Ocie Kerr, of Paris, is visiting here this week.

Mr. R. B. Kerr sold two nice loads of cattle Saturday to Tom Northern for \$4.75 per hundred.

Elder Linn will begin a protracted meeting at Bethel next week.

Madam Rumor says there will be a wedding near Molino in the near future.

Mr. Gray Wilson, while chopping wood one day last week, cut his foot so badly that he will not be able to be out for some time.

W. W. Johnson bought 100 head of sheep from Mr. Bell Saturday for \$1.75 per head.

R. B. Kerr, Jr., bought a load of stock cattle from J. A. Botts last week.

The Mexico Reserves did not come Monday to play Molino as they agreed to.

Why not have a grand Democratic rally at Mexico on Nov. 3rd? Everybody would be glad to see and cheer the Governor. Arrangements can be made they can count on Molino coming.

When Others Fail. Hood's Sarsaparilla builds up the shattered system by giving vigorous action to the digestive organs, creating an appetite and purifying the blood. It is prepared by modern methods, possesses the greatest curative powers, and has the most wonderful record of actual cures of any medicine in existence. Take only Hood's.

Hood's Pills are purely vegetable, and do not purge, pain or grip. 25c.

COAL OUTPUT IN MISSOURI.

Some Interesting Statistics Taken From State Mine Inspector Evans' Report.

State Mine Inspector Evans has just completed some valuable statistics for this year. Coal mines are operated in 34 counties in this state. The output during the present year in Audrain county is 43,910 tons of coal valued at \$64,724. The total output in the state is 5,383,322 tons valued at \$3,013,075.

Coal is taken from 162 shafts, 45 slopes, 83 drifts and 55 strip-pits, making a total of 365 operated mines in the state. The number of men employed is 8,864 in winter and 4,242 during warm weather. The output from the mines fell 807,120 below that of last year. This, Mr. Evans says, was due to the strike of coal miners, blockade of transportation facilities and general stagnation of business during the spring and summer. He estimates the loss in wages sustained by the miners at \$580,000.

The average price paid for mining coal was 72 cents per ton for lump coal and general run of mines. The miners averaged 129 days' work for the entire year, and their earnings during that period of time amounted to \$287,330. On a basis of six months' work, Mr. Evans finds that after deducting the rent paid by miners, cost of powder, oil, blacksmithing and doctor bills, averaging \$76.12, the actual per capita earnings of each miner amounts to \$211.21 per year, or \$17.60 per month. During the year forty-six accidents occurred in mines, of which fifteen were fatal, and left thirty widows and twenty-seven were non-fatal.

The counties sustaining the greatest loss in the output of coal per ton are given as follows: Bates, 336; 243; Mexico, 276,997; Ray, 122,553; Lafayette, 71,997; Henry, 41,489; Putham, 20,009. Vernon county alone shows an increase, the excess over last year being 223 tons.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constituting the system. Deafness is caused by an inflammation of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed, it swells and shuts off the hearing. It is entirely cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which will be destroyed forever. It is sold by all druggists and is a sure cure for deafness and all other ailments which are caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of deafness caused by catarrh that can be cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Send for circulars, free.

P. J. CROCKETT & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 7c.

Mrs. Williams, of Kansas City, is the guest of the family of her son, J. V. Williams.

A Marvelous Showing.

The U. S. Government, through the Agricultural Department, has been investigating the baking powders for the purpose of informing the public which was the purest, most economical and wholesome.

The published report shows the Royal Baking Powder to be a pure, healthful preparation, absolutely free from alum or any adulterant, and that it is greatly stronger in leavening power than any other baking powder.

Consumers should not let this valuable information, official and unprejudiced, go unheeded.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., 106 WALL ST., NEW-YORK.

A LIVELY COON HUNT.

A Midnight Chase in Which the Boys Have Lots of Fun—A Remarkable Saloon Kip r Dead.

Correspondence of the Ledger. HANCOCK, Mo., Oct. 24.—It is a happy thing for humanity that business does not always imperatively demand every hour of time or constantly bewilder the brain and test the limit of human endurance, for last night as we met with our general friends, Clarence Longley, the prince merchant of New Bloomfield, and Mr. James Tinsley, representing that time-honored and favorite wholesale house known as the Schwelke Grocer Co., we soon saw that in order to stand in with the prince merchant and valiant knight of the grip we must go "possum hunting." I thought of my lamented old Virginia friend, John Gordon. It was only a little after dark when the clans began to gather. We soon had four "coons" from 12 to 100 years, whose eyes glistened and ivory shown at the poorest prospect of "carving de possum to de bone." We were soon off, seventeen in number—four niggers, seven boys and five men. Word was soon circulated through the crowd that about a dozen lunatics had that morning escaped from the Insane Asylum, raving mad, and as we penetrated the dark thick woods strange noises were heard and flashes of lurid light shown at intervals in the horrid dark woods. Longley became unnerved, Tinsley was seized with violent vomiting, I was paralyzed with fright and fear, and in this condition we all stopped on a log to rest, when, to our horror, two ghostly bodies stole silently up to us in long white robes, eyes glowing with fire and emitting sulphurous fumes of flame, and all the unearthly, terrifying sounds of the dumb bell. If ever you saw four niggers run, (the whites were all on to it) it might have been seen on that occasion. Saplings, stumps, wire fences—nothing could or did stop them in a two mile run. No regard was had for clothing or cuticle. A bruised and ragged set were they this morning when we met them at the depot to learn what had become of "dem men what dey left fightin' de two crazy ghosts."

We dropped down to Cedar City where the death of a rather remarkable man was told us. In the Mexican war Absalom Hughes, for a distinguished act of bravery and the loss of both lower limbs, was highly commended to the Legislature of the state of Missouri and by that body was granted a life-long license to deal out poison to humanity under the sign "Saloon" and since 1848 he has followed well his avocation until this morning, at the age of 82, he died and the saloon for the first time was closed—closed by death. It is the only instance in the state of a man running a saloon free of license and for 46 years. I regret to close with this sad ending but my train is coming and it is now 11:40 p. m.

Yours, J. V. W.

Historical Facts. To the Editor of the Ledger. MEXICO, Mo., October 26.—One of our Populist friends stated in the Court House that the Bank of England was chartered to enable the Rothschilds to lend to the English government, and as one of the consequences of the loan the collection of interest was made legal. It may be of interest historically that interest was legalized under James I about 1630; the bank was organized 1694 and Meyer Anselm Rothschild was born 1744 and was comparatively a poor man until 1792.

There are five cases of typhoid fever in the family of Mrs. Syl. Crockett. Mr. Crockett died only a few weeks since.

It Was Dr. Holmes. From the Boston Transcript. The story is recalled of a young Virginia country girl dining in that city some years ago, in the days when Dr. Holmes went to dinners. Seated next her at table was a homely, little old gentleman, whose name she did not catch. He began to talk with her, and asked her how she passed her time in the country. "Oh, we read, my father and I," she said.

"What do you read?" asked the little old man.

"Well, the 'Autocrat of the Breakfast Table' for one thing," she answered.

"I should think you would not care to read that more than once," remarked the little old man, in a tone of slight disparagement.

"My father and I may not be judges of literature," said Miss Virginia, with a faint accent of scorn, "but when we get to the end of the 'Autocrat' we generally turn back to the beginning and read it over again."

The little old man smiled at this, and disposed to be friendly, but Miss Virginia was so disgusted with his tone concerning the 'Autocrat' that she met him with chilly indifference.

As soon as the guests went into the drawing room her hostess whispered reproachfully to her: "You didn't seem to find Dr. Holmes as interesting as I hoped."

"Dr. Holmes!" shrieked Miss Virginia. There was a tableau and an explanation.

In the daily and weekly LEDGER will be found an advertisement of George W. Bates, of St. Louis, Mo., who is going to have a big sale of fine stock of all kinds should read this advertisement closely and then arrange to attend the sale. Mr. Bates has some of the very best stock, including trotting and saddle horses, ever offered at a public sale.

The Laddonia (Mo.) Herald says: B. C. Johnson and wife, R. R. Arnold and wife, J. R. Luckie and wife, Mrs. Mark Fletcher, Mrs. P. E. Locke, all of Mexico, attended services at the Laddonia Christian church Monday night.

C. E. McVey, of near Laddonia, who has been adjudged insane, passed through Mexico this afternoon in charge of friends, who were taking him to Fulton to the Asylum. He lost his mind over a recent protracted meeting held at a Christian church near Laddonia.